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## SEPTEMBER EVENTS AT THE NASA VISITOR CENTER

Saturday, September 4: "Model Rocket Launch" Model rocket launches will be held at 1 p.m. on the Visitor Center grounds. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

Saturday, September 3 and 10: "Earth Image Bingo" children's program Discover NASA's involvement in helping us understand and protect our home planet through a fun and interactive game of bingo. This program begins at 1 p.m. and lasts 40 minutes.

Saturday, September 11: "Head in the Clouds" children's program What is so important about a few clouds in the sky? What would happen to Earth if there were no clouds? During this 45-minute program, participants will discover the role of clouds in Earth's atmosphere and learn to identify the most common cloud types.

Saturday, September 18: "Paper Airplanes 101" children's program Come and find out how airplanes fly in this program about the basic principles of flight. Following the presentation children will construct and test three different paper airplane designs. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 45 minutes.

Saturday, September 25: "Sun Earth Connections" children's program Celebrate the recent equinox by learning all about our sun and how it affects us on Earth. Following the presentation, children will make their very own functional sundial. Materials will be provided by the Visitor Center. The program begins at 1:00 p.m. and will last 45 minutes.

"Puppets in Space"

"Puppets in Space", a 10-minute puppet show, will be presented at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight, including the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmiles" follows the puppet show.

Daily: "Space Ace"

Children ages 5-10 years can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph during their Visitor Center experience by completing an activity sheet.

Sundays: "Humans in Space"

"Humans in Space" is the subject of a 1 p.m. program for children of all ages. The 30-minute program looks at living and working in space, including a review of the astronauts' culinary delights and their wardrobe.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, VA. Admission to Visitor Center programs is free. For further information, please call (757) 824-2298.

For information about the Visitor Center on the Internet, visit http://www.wff.nasa.gov/vc

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